

## **ASHES IN THE RIVER**

**It was the month of May  
My heart burned with desire  
I was a fairy queen  
Dancing around a fire**

**In the heyday of youth  
I heard voices inside  
And the Heavenly Father  
Calling me to fight**

**Soldier of the Lord  
Soldier of the Son  
Soldier of the Ghost  
Young Maid of Orléans  
Ashes in the river  
Ashes in the river**

**I rode among the flames  
Disguised in male attire  
I burned out like a witch  
Upon that stack on fire**

**But I gave'em the pride  
Gave'em back all their faith  
Wonder if anybody ever  
Felt ashamed**

**Soldier of the Lord  
Soldier of the Son  
Soldier of the Ghost  
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Ashes in the river  
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**Like a firefly glowing in the night  
I burnt out my love  
And I gave up the fight  
Ashes in the river  
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## **LEAVES AROUND**

**Outside the crying leaves  
Inside my thoughts are turning red  
Making no sound**

**The world that I can see  
Looks like a ghostly bell of glass**

**Laid all around**

**The leaves around my doorstep  
Exhale a smell of fall  
And cover like a carpet  
The yearning of my soul**

**Nature's a mystery  
Just like a neighbour coming from  
Another world**

**I wonder who's the Maker  
Of such a miracle  
Who's laying down this mantle  
That's wrapped around my soul?**

**The leaves around my doorstep  
Exhale a smell of fall  
But I know their warm carpet  
Won't cover me for good**

## **MAN ACROSS THE WATER**

**I'm just a man laying no claims  
Living by fishing day after day  
I'm just a soul lost in the night  
Blind as a bat looking out for a light**

**But now I hear someone  
calling my name  
A man is coming closer  
Across the water**

**There's a man across the water  
There's a shadow in the mist  
He's approaching from the shore line  
Getting closer, getting clear**

**I was a man longing for truth  
Day after day I grew hopeless and blue  
I was a soul lost in the night  
Blind as a bat looking out for a light**

**Till I heard someone calling my name  
A man was coming closer  
Across the water**

**There's a man across the water  
There's a shape among the waves  
He's approaching from the shore line  
Walking through the purple haze**

**On the Mississippi Delta  
The full moon was wide and red  
When a supernatural power  
Filled with fish our empty net**

**Only time will tell how love can  
blossom from this pain  
I'll be waiting  
Naked in the rain**

**But now I hear someone  
Calling my name  
A man is coming closer  
Across the water**

**There's a man across the water  
There's a shape among the waves  
He's returning to the shore line  
Disappearing in the mist**

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## **MATADOR**

**A lovely señorita plays guitar  
And sings heartbreaking tunes  
A toreador lays down his cloth and sword  
And follows all her chords**

**While the sun is burning on the sand**

The crowd calls out for more  
Red-hot tears are cutting down his face  
They feel like blades

Tú eres matador  
Tú quieres sólo sangre y arena  
Olvida el dolor  
Tienes la fuerza y la pasión  
Tú eres matador  
Y bajo de la luna llena  
No tienes miedo, no  
Tú lloras por amor

A red rose hanging lightly from her hair  
Her guitar gently weeps  
You would kiss her, you would brush her face  
And lie among her lace

Now your victim's taking his revenge  
He's turned around your sword  
It's not the mighty beast you fear the most,  
It's just her love

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## MY NAME IS NOMAN

I left behind  
Troy and the battlefields  
A blinded eye  
Sirens and stormy winds  
I crossed wild seas  
To reach an island  
So far so good  
My name is Noman

Sail for miles and miles  
Ride the ebbing tide  
And never come back again  
Your home is the ocean blue

I passed unscathed  
Scylla and Charybdis  
Circe's damned spell  
Teiresias' prophecies  
Someday my raft  
Will rest amid the sand  
I know my fate  
Is to be Everyman

Sail for miles and miles  
Searching for the light  
And never come back again  
Get ready to face the storm

If I ever regret  
All the love that I left  
Far away from my home  
Tell my wife to forgive  
'Cause I did it to know  
What the Gods alone know

Sail for miles and miles  
Ride the ebbing tide  
And never come back again  
Your home is the ocean  
Sail for miles and miles  
Beyond the edge of time  
And never come back again  
Your home is the ocean blue

## PREDESTINATION

Martin Luther says  
salvation lies in faith alone  
And all our destinies  
depend upon the will of God

There's nothing left for us to do  
When we are far from grace  
And wether we may rise or fall  
We're all part of a game

Was he wrong? Was he right?  
I keep wondering all the time  
Our lives are already written  
Is it a matter of predestination?

I was riding on my bike  
And took the time to have a break  
Then I went further on  
A car crashed down one step away  
If I had stopped one second more  
It would have been my head  
A different choice of space and time

**And I would never ride this way again**

**Is it wrong? Is it right?  
It can happen anytime  
Over and over  
And you will always wonder why**

**Good or bad, wrong or right  
Some will die, some will survive  
Somewhere there must be a reason  
Is it a matter of predestination?**

**No one can tell, nobody knows  
Each single lot  
All we can do is share a dream  
And play our part  
Somebody's good, somebody's bad  
The wheel goes on  
There's something high above  
I think it must be love**

**Is it wrong? Is it right?  
I keep wondering all the time  
But I just can't help it  
Sometimes I feel that I am blind**

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## **THE ELEPHANT MAN**

**How do I feel?  
It's much too hard to tell you how I feel  
How I've been tried**

**I have lived imprisoned like a beast  
But, Lord, I'm still alive**



**In my dreams  
I look into a mirror  
And see myself a gentleman  
But then my master lights the stage  
And...**

**I'm a freak, a monster  
Please, don't look down on me so horrified  
I Sometimes wish I could be deaf and blind  
And cry out loud I'm just a man**

**As you see  
They think I'm a curiosity, a circus freak**

**But I know the Lord is my good shepherd  
He restores my soul**

**In my dreams  
I'm acting in a romance  
My Juliet, I'm your Romeo  
But straight away the curtain drops  
And...**

**I'm a freak, a monster  
I pray to meet a saviour on my way  
Being happy every hour of the day  
If only I knew someone loves me**

**Lay me on a pillow  
I'll travel all the way towards the stars  
Somehow I'll find the strength to get that far  
And when I reach my home I will be born again  
Not an elephant man**

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## **THE GIANT STONES**

**Harvest time, wide open plains  
Swirling clouds, sweet summer rain**

**Roaring thunderbolts and lights  
Distant glare  
Hear the sounds and see the signs  
Out there**

**Seasons changing    Light years rolling  
Time will keep on flowing  
Right before our eyes**

**Let the winds forever blow  
And the seasons come and go  
They've been dancing all around  
Round giant stones**

**Orion's belt too far too high  
Looking down with mirror eyes**

**Watch the circles on the grain  
The flashing lights**

**They speak  
But I don't understand**

**Let the rivers run and flow  
And the kingdoms rise and fall  
See them all dance all around  
Round giant stones**

**Let the bees make honey grow  
And the ploughmen reap and sow  
They've been dancing all around  
Round giant stones**

**I look           but don't see  
All of their beauty  
We exist       but don't live  
The way we could**

**Let the winds forever blow  
Watch the seasons changing  
While the rivers run and flow  
We will open our eyes**

**Look up to the sky  
And we'll see  
I tell you we'll see again**

#### **THE SMOKE OF SATAN**

**A howl at the moon  
The ogre is in search of his prey  
You're walking alone  
Bad thoughts keep on haunting your brain**

**Your mind goes blind through the dark  
The smoke of Satan's on your way  
You can't restrain the evil's pain  
The smoke of Satan's on your way**

**The girl is alone  
So nice and she's walking your way  
You creep like a snake  
You see the dismay on her face**

**The fog is thick, the stars are far  
The smoke of Satan's on your way  
She won't escape, she's yours at last  
The smoke of Satan's on your way**

**So young and sweet  
You stole her life away  
Black magic tricks  
Took over the good side of you**

**You open your eyes  
Your light leaves you alone through the bars  
Beyond those four walls  
You'll feel like a fish on the sand**

The beast will knock upon your door  
The smoke of Satan's on your way  
You'll pay the dues, you must be tough  
The smoke of Satan's on your way

So young and sweet  
You stole her life away  
Black magic tricks  
Took over the good side of you

The beast has won, your light has gone  
*The smoke of Satan's on your way*  
God only may choose your last day  
*The smoke of Satan's on your way*

I just can't stand to live out there  
Now I'm aware, take me to hell

### VOODOO SPELL

Here in my little room  
Pangs of hunger in my stomach  
Here with my rag doll  
And my weird imagination  
Suddenly a roar  
Creeping up like a zombie  
Builds heaps of stones  
And black-eyed walls

Set me free  
Let me out of this rubble hell  
This voodoo spell

I slither under the bed  
While fantasies sway and crumble  
All over my head  
Is it true or just a fiction?  
Where are you Pa?  
Please, come and save me  
I'm down here crying?  
I'm still alive!

Set me free  
Lift me up from this dreadful snare  
This Voodoo spell  
Laying low  
Please, don't leave me here on my own  
It's dark and cold

*Oh Fortuna*

Isn't life unkind?  
In poverty I'm tied  
And there's nothing here  
But a Voodoo spell  
I'm trapped down in this tar  
And maybe God's too far  
Lord, I'm just a child  
Longing for the light

*Sors salutis et virtutis mihi nunc contraria*

*Est affectus et defectus semper in angaria  
Oh fortuna Statu variabilis*

Set me free  
From the looters and from despair  
This Voodoo spell  
Oh, my Lord  
Send your angels and break these walls  
It's dark and cold  
Too dark and cold *Sors immanis et inanis*

## WHAT IF

I'm getting older and I see  
Life slip away just like a dream  
But I must keep the promises  
I made to myself

The tangled thread of destiny  
Cannot be unravelled nor forseen  
The more your aim is drawing near  
The more you are far

I have been a lucky man  
Nonetheless I ask myself

What if my life hadn't been so good  
What if I had never met you  
What if I had missed a special train  
If I had never found that friend

Lost in a dreadful labirinth  
Until you took me out of it  
I came up to reality  
And I found my way

If I am here I owe it all  
To some help sent from above

What if my life hadn't been so good  
What if I never had met you  
Love has the power to take control  
There is no other higher law

I've got two children and a wife  
The thread is winding all the time  
I hope it's going to make me wise

What if my life hadn't been so good  
What if I had never met you  
What if I had missed a special train  
If I had never found that friend

